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Clubs attend annual protest

BY TARA DIXON
Senior News Writer

This weekend, a group of Xavier students and staff will travel to Georgia to participate in a protest against a government-run military school.

The school has a history of controversy concerning its goals, its teachings, and the actions of its graduates.

The Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, or WHISC, is a military school that trains soldiers in subjects like counter-insurgency and commando operations.

"This is a school on the military base at Fort Benning, Ga. A lot of the students are from Latin American countries," said senior Laurie Wesp, co-president of Voices of Solidarity, the club organizing the trip.

"The United States government trains these soldiers, then they go back to their countries. A lot of as-

sassinations and massacres that have happened in Latin American countries have been traced back to the school," Wesp said.

WHISC opened as the U.S. Army Caribbean Training Center in 1946 in Panama. In 1963, it became known as the School of the Americas.

"Basically the concept of the school was to fight communism and protect American interests in Latin America," said Claire Mugavin, a member of the Xavier University Peace and Justice Program staff.

The School of the Americas moved to Fort Benning in 1984, and was renamed The Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation in January 2001.

"Voices of Solidarity started after a group of students got back from a Nicaragua service learning semester and wanted to take the knowledge they learned and put it into action," Wesp said as she explained the club's origins. "The School of

the Americas was the way to use what they learned."

A group of 50 Xavier students and five faculty and staff members will be leaving Cincinnati on Friday afternoon. Saturday morning they will participate in the Ignatian Family Tradition, a gathering of all the Jesuit delegations from universities, high schools and churches. "They will hear speakers and students will talk about what is happening," said Mugavin.

Around 12:30 p.m. the group will take a tour of the WHISC school, and learn what the school does from the other point of view. "We want to give both sides of the school to the people who are coming," said Mugavin.

Later, there will be a rally outside the gates of the base with groups from different religious and political backgrounds.

The Xavier delegation will attend a Mass at 7 p.m. with the other Jesuit delegations, and discuss the

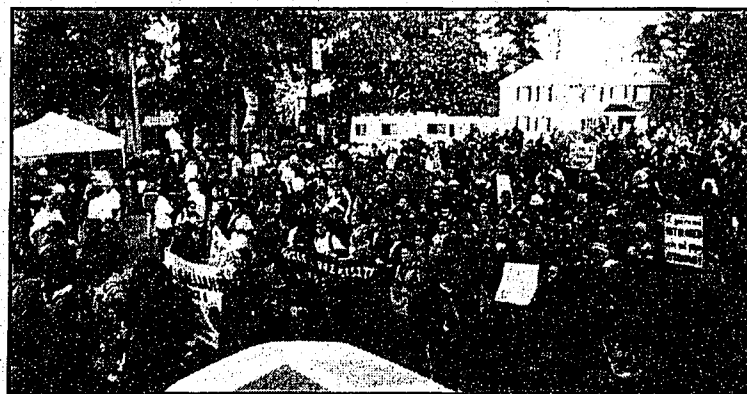


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Xavier attended last year's protest on the controversial school, and will do so again this year.

day's events at their hotel later that night.

The formal protest will take place on Sunday in the way of a funeral procession.

"The names of the people who have been killed by graduates of the school will be called out. It will be a very solemn, prayerful and reverent thing," said Mugavin.

Anyone interested in learning

about the group's experiences at the protest is welcome to attend a free vegetarian dinner on Monday, Nov. 24 at 5:30 p.m. at the Dorothy Day House, to be followed by a discussion about the protest and people's reactions. The Voices of Solidarity welcome anyone interested in learning more to attend their weekly meetings Thursdays at 9 p.m. at the Dorothy Day House.

New club on campus

BY RACHEL FISCHER
Contributing Writer

On Monday Nov. 10, the South Asian Society was granted full club status by the Student Government Association.

The founding members of the organization, sophomore Gaurav Marwaha and freshman Faraaz Rahman, noticed many ethnic clubs around campus upon their arrivals at Xavier, but none that spread awareness of the ethnicities in South Asia.

Gaurav decided to see what the level of interest for a South Asian Society at Xavier would be, both amongst students and faculty. He said he was surprised with the level of interest from both groups.

South Asian Society is now ready to take off at Xavier. The organization commits itself to introducing the students at Xavier to what South Asian cultures are about.

Gaurav hopes SAS will be a re-

sourceful tool for Xavier students to become aware of the South Asian cultures, and to get actively involved with some of the events SAS plans to hold.

The group hopes to inform people about different cultures in South Asia by exposing Xavier students to everything from different foods to dance moves. They also hope to encourage the enrollment of South Asian students at Xavier.

The South Asian Society has two faculty advisors, Bob Ahuja, a marketing professor, and Dr. Hem Raj Joshi, a professor in the mathematics and computer science department.

While Gaurav and Faraaz are the president and vice president, respectively, the other officers are sophomore John Thomas (secretary) and freshman Keyur Parikh (treasurer).

The South Asian Society also aspires to network with other societies of its nature.

They are attempting to open

connections with other colleges in the area, such as the University of Cincinnati, Ohio State University and Miami University, in order to coordinate activities with these sister clubs.

SAS wants to invite similar clubs to their South Asian Society events, and also participate in the other schools' South Asian activities to promote unity.

"I really want everyone, regardless of ethnic background, to take part in South Asian Society cultural events while at Xavier," said Gaurav. "I really hope South Asian Society can expand the world view even further here at Xavier. It's amazing how much you can learn and appreciate from other cultures."

For more information concerning the South Asian Society, their first meeting has been tentatively scheduled to be held on Dec. 10 (location pending).

Look for flyers, or you can contact Gaurav Marwaha at x5905.



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Juniors Marcy Complin and Janet Heil show off the Flix contribution to the Homecoming Parade that marched around campus Saturday morning.

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Flu vaccines

Flu vaccines are now available at the McGrath Health and Counseling Center. Students can stop in between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, no appointment necessary. The cost of the vaccine is \$15 and can be put on a student's bursar account.

XU Ski Club

The Ski club is taking a trip to Snow Shoe, W. Va. over Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend in January. If anyone is interested, e-mail Bill Fader at XUSkiclub@hotmail.com.

Meet the Firms night

Meet the Firms night is tonight in conference rooms four and five of the Cintas Center. It is sponsored by the departments of management & entrepreneurship and is designed to give students an opportunity to learn about cultures of different companies and the way they choose associates.

Recreation becomes higher priority

JOHN THOMAS

Assistant Campus News Editor

Director of Recreation Sports Jim Ray spoke to the SGA during their weekly meeting last Monday to inform the senate about the five-year renovation plan for the O'Connor Sports Center. The renovations are an attempt to correct three major problems.

The O'Connor Staff is most concerned with the issue of limited space that the sports center has. When the OSC opened in 1979, it was state-of-the-art, and was designed to accommodate the 1,200 students enrolled at Xavier University at the time. It was not designed to accommodate the 6,500 students currently enrolled, along with staff and other community members. There are also 600-1,200 community members (mostly alumni) that are members of the OSC.

To fix this problem, Xavier does not plan to add on to the building itself, or remove it; but they do have plans to change many things around to add more space.

The second concern for improving the OSC is trying to develop the recreation center into a more "user-friendly" environment. "It is such a pain for you to check in at the desk,

go through a door, go through the locker rooms, into the pool area, through another set of doors, and up a flight of stairs just to lift some weights for 20 minutes," said Ray.

Lastly, the OSC staff hopes to use these renovations as a recruitment and retention tool. As many students recall from their tour experience here at Xavier, prospective students were always shown the academic mall, the Cintas Center, and a dorm or two. However, the tour guide never brings the prospective students across the street where the OSC is located, in fear of the prospective students choosing another school because of our poor recreational facilities.

At other universities in the area such as the University of Cincinnati and Miami University, schools have made certain that the recreational facilities stayed in good condition and up-to-date. In order to achieve this, these schools have donated anywhere from 35-150 million dollars.

Xavier University's renovations will cost a total of 1.5 million dollars, which is low as a result of our endowment being far lower than it should be. Xavier University's national endowment is approximately 90 million dollars, when a school

of Xavier's size should have an annual endowment twice that. "These are schools that we compete with," Ray said.

Another reason for the lack of funds that are not going towards the OSC is that recreational facilities at Xavier are a low priority. Xavier is founded on academics, so in order for the school to maintain that reputation, they have to keep academics higher on the priority list of school funds.

The renovations for the OSC will take place in five phases over the next five years. The first phase consists of improving the locker rooms and lobby. However, since the University does not have money for both, they had to choose to only improve the locker rooms as of now. Since the OSC could not fix the lobby in phase one, they will do so in the second phase, which should be completed by January. Also, the staff offices will be destroyed and the weight room will now be on the first floor. This not only gives the OSC more space, but it also allows the aerobics studio to be placed upstairs. The floors in the new aerobics studio will be refurnished, and by completing these renovations, will save the school over one million dollars, instead of completely

rebuilding the facility. Also in this phase, the OSC is going to have a third basketball court, removing the faculty locker rooms to create one locker room for swimmers, while also adding a sauna and a 12-person hot tub for everyone to use.

Phase three will be the largest renovation and most expensive. This phase will consist of air-conditioning throughout the building, as well as adding an elevator to the facility. This phase will cost approximately 1.1 million dollars on its own.

Phases four and five have not been finalized yet, but they are guaranteed for further improvements.

Hopefully with the improvement of the OSC, Xavier can bring in more students, thus bringing a larger endowment. For a more detailed description of the renovations, and the phases it will go through, please contact the O'Connor Sports Center for more information at x3208.



Alumni Board meeting focuses on future

MEG NALEZNY

Contributing Writer

Xavier's National Alumni Association held its annual meeting for the Board of Directors last Friday, Nov. 14. Nearly all the chapter presidents attended this year's meeting in the Schiff Family Conference Center.

President of the National Alumni Board Dan Murphy ('85) began the event with a welcome speech, followed by an opening prayer led by Father Bill King.

One of the guest speakers, Dr. Thomas Scheye of Loyola College in Maryland, currently works as a higher education consultant at Xavier. Scheye believes that, "Xavier wants to differentiate itself on the basis of ambition" and "ought to achieve that

ambition in its own way." That way, he suggested, involves an intensified focus on the Jesuit mission. Scheye encouraged the alumni to help with the challenges confronting this Jesuit community as the number of active priests continues to decline. It is essential, he assumed, to find new ways to foster the growth of those Jesuit roots at Xavier because they are what set the school apart. If they are not strong, they will not fare well when confronted by changes within the University's community.

Scheye also believes that students define a school: those who apply and, equally important, those who graduate and go on to careers and lives within greater society. Each of these alums takes Xavier's name and the knowledge they accrued during

their time on campus with them, and their continued support is vital to the University's success. Scheye encouraged the chapter presidents to reach out to their communities and help Xavier in its mission to draw students from an increasingly diverse range of home cities. He suggested increasing the number of scholarship programs provided specifically for students from any given area.

Rev. Michael Graham, S.J., arrived at the meeting in time to share his personal thoughts on the concepts introduced by Scheye. He discussed what he referred to as the "strategic plan" he expects will begin to take shape over the next few years. This plan is based on the administration's desire to see learning from the student's perspective

and, in doing so, create a more effective environment. Graham emphasized the University's interest in feedback from alumni as well as current students. One of the main objectives of the "strategic plan" is to strengthen those elements within the University that the students consider positive. Graham also took a moment to describe what he referred to as the equivalent of an "academic Gallagher Center." This new area,

designed to act as an information hub, will probably entail the renovation of both Alter Hall and the McDonald Memorial Library, as well as an addition to the Williams College of Business.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Alumni Board successfully informed the visiting alumni of happenings on campus and reaffirmed their vital roles as supporters of the Xavier community.

Police Notes

November 10, 1:40 p.m. — An employee in Hinkle Hall received an obscene and harassing phone call from an unknown male.

November 13, 2:20 a.m. — Campus Police assisted Cincinnati Police with a fatal automobile accident in the 1500 block of Dana Avenue. A non-student lost control of his vehicle and struck two vehicles head on. He died on impact.

November 14, 1:40 a.m. — A resident student was cited for underage consumption of alcohol. The student was extremely intoxicated.

November 14, 8:10 a.m. — An employee reported damage to the windows of his car parked in the ISS lot.

November 15, 6:45 a.m. — An employee's car slipped out of gear and struck three vehicles in the R1 lot. Investigations revealed that the emergency brake had failed.

November 15, 7:15 a.m. — A Physical Plant employee reported that a window on the second floor of the Commons had been broken.

November 15, 7:29 p.m. — A resident student in Husman Hall reported that the lock on their door had been tampered with.

November 17, 10:50 p.m. — A resident student from Husman Hall removed a golden globe wooden statue from the first floor of the Gallagher Center. The student was captured on video and will face disciplinary action for the theft of University property.

Police Note of the Week

November 16, 2:45 a.m. — Campus Police cited a resident student for underage consumption of alcohol and for falsely claiming that he was robbed of \$50 in order for a quicker shuttle pick-up in front of the chapel.

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SGA

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Looking Ahead...



Xavier's Student Senate will be participating in a collaborative effort with Heifer International to help feed the hungry. This year's Homecoming event will benefit the project. The project is a global effort to provide food and shelter to the world's poorest people. It is a project that may not be as familiar as in the United States.

Xavier students will be given the opportunity to purchase shares in the project. The shares will be sold in the upcoming weeks. Any questions regarding the project or any other campus sponsored activity opportunity may be directed to: **Consensus Center**, Chair of the Community Affairs Committee.

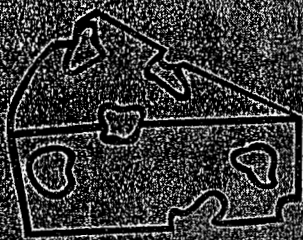
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Cheese and Wine Fest

Wednesday, Dec. 10

8:00-9:00pm



SGA Conference Room

Homecoming 2003 Underway

SAC Homecoming activities commenced this week with a tail-gate party at the men's basketball game on Saturday. This event marked the beginning of a week that will revolve around the theme "Hooray for Hollywood" and culminate on Friday with the Homecoming Dance. Some of the events this week included: Midnight Snack, a Walk of Fame, a two-day Halo tournament, and XU Becoming. If you missed these events, there is still time to participate in Homecoming festivities. Come to the Gallagher Student Center on Wednesday from 8:30-11:00 pm and play your favorite card games at Casino night. Also, the Homecoming Dance will be held on Friday from 10:00 pm-2:00 am on the Cintas Center arena floor. Tickets are \$10 and will be on sale until the day of the dance in the Gallagher Student Center and the Cafeteria. Be sure to support the remaining Homecoming events.

William Buckley
Senate Coordinator



Attention All Xavier Clubs!!!

Starting after Thanksgiving Break, SGA is planning on starting a Club Spotlight in addition to our SGA Spotlight section in the *NewsWire*. This spotlight came as a result of senate wanting a medium where it could showcase noteworthy clubs for their contributions to life at Xavier University. More specifically, the spotlight will feature basic information on each club as well (i.e. when the club was founded, how many members it has, etc.). If you are in a leadership position for a club on Xavier's campus; look for an information sheet in your club's box on Friday. If you would like your club to be featured in the new section, please return a completed form to Andrew Clark's mailbox.

Andy Clark



Richard Fajardo

SENATOR

Office Hours:
Wed, 3:30-4:30
Thurs, 3:30-4:30
Student Affairs

Hometown: Bedford Heights, OH
High School: St. Peter Chanel High School

Current Year: Sophomore
Major: Business Management
Other Clubs, Interests: X-treme Fans, Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Williams Scholars, Mass Lector

Reason for Attending Xavier: Xavier is a mid-sized college that is private & Catholic, and it has a good business school.

Favorites...

Class at Xavier: Toss up between Managerial Behavior with Dr. Bycio and European History II with Professor Larson

Meal at the Cafeteria: Saturday and Sunday Brunch

Weekend Activity: Watching or playing sports

Movie: *Rocky II*

Book: *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton



Paul Tomich

SENATOR

Office Hours:
Mon, 2:00-3:00
Thurs, 4:00-5:00
Financial Affairs

Hometown: Newark
High School: Newark Catholic High School

Current Year: Junior
Major: Finance
Other Clubs, Interests: Other Clubs, Interests: V.P. of Lacrosse Club

Favorites...

Class at Xavier: Gen. Exp. Psych with Dr. Barrett

Meal at the Cafeteria: Chicken Caesar Wrap

Weekend Activity: Cycling and Dana's

Movie: *Pulp Fiction*
Book: *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck

The purpose of the SGA Profile section is to better acquaint the students of Xavier University with their elected/appointed representatives. Each week, a different member of Senate and SAC will be featured.

NEWSWIRE

Lena Davie, EDITOR

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STAFF EDITORIAL

Who dey'

I must admit I was rather surprised to hear the news that the Cincinnati Bengals pulled out an upset against the undefeated Kansas City Chiefs this past Sunday. I received an even greater shock when I heard these same Bengals were now in (ok, tied for) first place in their division.

It's a bit of a joy to feel the increase in team morale that has sprung up in a city that has been without a decent football team for so long.

But before my cockle warming could begin, a thought dawned on me that flushed my enthusiasm down the same toilet which swallowed the Bengals' past 12 seasons: I wanted the Bengals to lose.

It's a bit of a joy to feel the increase in team morale that has sprung up in a city that has been without a decent football team for so long.

I, a moderate football fan at best, enjoyed the level of apathy and laziness I was able to possess as a Bengals fan. I didn't have to spend a two-hour chunk of my Sunday watching a game when a Bengals loss was virtually guaranteed.

Sure they sucked, but I didn't care, it gave our city character. Every minute ESPN or the national media devoted to the Bengals lack of talent was a minute devoted to a city that most people around the country hardly knew existed. It was the same sort of pride I felt know-

ing that every time someone watched "Rain Man," they had to recognize that Cincinnati existed and was important enough to be featured in a national forum.

With a Bengals team that actually won a few games, I was faced with the fact that Cincinnati was back on its "long journey to the middle." Cincinnati would be just another city with a mediocre football team.

Plus, in order to be a guilt-free fan, I would actually have to watch the games and support the team in a more active capacity than my usual assumption of their defeat. This is something for which I don't have the energy.

But maybe there is something else that is keeping me from embracing a successful Bengals squad, for Cincinnati hasn't necessarily been out of the lime-light in recent years. Perhaps I like the illusion that my city is on the map because of its atrocious football team and not because Jerry Springer used to be our mayor or that the state of our race relations makes it seem like we're still living during the Reconstruction time period.

Maybe that's why I like the idea of a losing Bengals team so much: with their professional level of awfulness they are able to put a light-hearted gloss on a Queen City that has seen better days.

But wait. I'm jumping ahead of myself. There are still six games left in the season and it is certainly possible for a team to lose six straight. Just ask any Bengals fan.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Contradicting opinions

In the Nov. 12 issue of the *Newswire*, Colleen Heister of the College Republicans offered her response to the Michael Moore event at the Cintas Center. In this article, Heister gave more details into the likely possibility of hosting a conservative speaker as a counterbalance to Moore's appearance.

Regarding the motivations behind hosting a conservative speaker, Heister was quoted as saying, "We just want to get people on board with this so students can have the opportunity to see other points of view, not just one." Seemingly a noble reason, she later goes on to contradict herself when she explains why the College Republicans were not actively protesting or debating Moore's speech. In her explanation she says, "We didn't want to give him any credibility whatsoever."

In not giving Moore "any credibility whatsoever" the College

Republicans were not allowing themselves "to see other points of view." The inconsistency does not stop there. Not only were the College Republicans denying themselves the balance of thought that one would expect to receive at a university, they further refused to debate the merits of Moore's speech with the College Democrats.

These actions (or inactions) shouldn't surprise any of us. This refusal to give any credibility to political opposition is consistent with the current attitudes of the greater Republican Party. In the spirit of Bush's "with or against us" attitude, debate and dissent have been attacked as unpatriotic and subversive.

One can clearly see the extreme of this current trend in the writing of Ann Coulter, who is in the College Republicans' list of potential speakers. Coulter is leading the movement to attack the left as treasonous, and argues the merits of McCarthyism.

Clearly, McCarthyism didn't allow students to "have the opportunity to see other points of view" and unfortunately the College Republicans are falling into its trap. Acting directly against the true spirit of liberal democracy, the current College and National Republican Parties have refused to allow the two-sided debate that is required to, as Heister put it, "let students make up their minds for themselves."

You can be sure that when the conservative speaker is chosen, the College Democrats will be in attendance and will be ready, willing and able to debate. Unlike the College Republicans, myself and many of my colleagues are excited about the opportunity to hear opposing points of view and are ready to discuss their merits in an open forum so that students can truly "make up their minds for themselves."

— James Wolf
Graduate Student

Viewpoints

I read the article in the Nov. 12 edition of the *Newswire* concerning plans to bring a conservative speaker to campus. I was surprised to see mention of Sean Hannity and Ann Coulter because I had just seen their program in the Cintas Center earlier this fall!

While it may have not been a university-sponsored event, it was on campus and quite accessible to anyone who wished to attend. And it quite definitely championed the conservative viewpoint.

I was unable to attend the Michael Moore program but would have liked to have been there. As others have expressed, I too believe that the University is the place to examine many viewpoints and I strive to keep an open mind.

— J. David Ralston
Office of Enrollment
Management Special
Assistant

... the University is the place to examine many viewpoints ...

I am so glad that the Xavier Republicans are going to bring a conservative speaker to campus so that the student body will be able to hear the truth about what is going on in their country.

I realize that there were conservative speakers on campus earlier this year, but the student body was not here to attend like they were with Michael Moore. If I could make a suggestion, I would like to have a member of the John Birch Society come to XU and really tell the truth about the state of affairs in America and the decline in morals that faces our great nation.

I am sure the XU community would not endorse the John Birch Society, but if we are to have open dialogue as so many want, then be brave and ask them to come. Don't be afraid!

— Patrick O'Donnell
Graduate of XU

Vague descriptions

As students of the Xavier community, we know that our safety and well-being is essential to our growth and development, not only as students, but as people. In the same breath, we sympathize with those victimized, and realize that we too are in danger of experiencing firsthand these violent occurrences. As we delve deeper into this situation, we, the African-American male community, have found this fact to be evident: that we, as African-American males, have been placed in a state of double jeopardy. This jeopardy consists of actions taken by the culprits of these violent crimes and the actions taken by this institution.

We are fully aware that the intent of these actions was not to cause unrest within the African-American male population, rather to inform the Xavier community of issues regarding campus safety. However, the broad nature of the description posted has transposed the face of the majority of African-American males with that of the perpetrators and thereby placing African-American males in a very precarious situation. The image of African-American males on this campus is fragile, and the recent posting of the security bulletin only serves to hinder the stability of diverse relationships on Xavier's campus.

Our first issue with the bulletin is the generality of its description. The only discernable feature of the bulletin was that the culprits were black men. Neither the commonness of the clothing description nor the seven-inch height differential is outstanding enough information for citizens of the Xavier community to protect themselves against violent attacks. This description encompasses the majority of African-American males on campus, and unfairly portrays us as suspects for these violent crimes. In a situation like this, where African-American men represent an extreme minority on campus, such a broad generalization encompasses nearly this entire population and places its members at a disadvantage.

We feel the message sent by this bulletin, though with good intention, was misguided. The message portrayed by this bulletin was to be on alert for "black men in the late

teens/early twenties, approximately 5'5 to 6'0 tall," whereas there is no reason members of the Xavier community should not be as wary of a group of white males walking around late at night. The point being, the bulletin should have been guided toward a situational resolve rather than a specific incident. The message should have included a synopsis of the incidents and general safety guidelines in light of the violent crimes. Moreover, the message should not have been to be wary of African-American males late at night but to be on alert for suspicious situations involving anyone late at night. The message should have been informative and directional toward smart safety and other safety options, both of which the security bulletin lacked.

We were offended and disturbed by the message disseminated to the Xavier community at-large. We were offended on a personal level as we, African-American males, are working hard as productive members of the Xavier community while also forging diverse relationships both in and out of the classroom. We were disturbed on an institutional level as we find this action to be in conflict with the progress Xavier aspires to in creating a more diverse and welcoming environment for all students. We would like to express our gratitude and appreciation to you for your assistance and reasonableness in bringing this matter to a close.

Members of GOAL are willing to be active agents in the process of institutional change with regard to diversity. However, we also believe the professional and administrative staff at Xavier should be given opportunities to increase their learning around diversity in general, and other issues that can be perceived as sensitive in nature. In order to reach these goals, yearly training and instruction should be provided for members of our faculty, administration and staff in order to coincide with Xavier's effort for creating and sustaining a diverse community.

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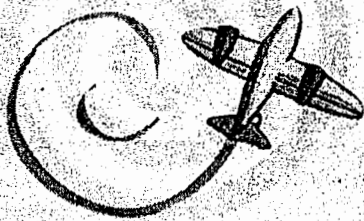
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Baseball recruits

Xavier baseball head coach John Morrey announced last Friday the inking of two players during the early signing period.

Michael Lucas of Washington, Pa. and Collin Salzenstein of St. Louis, Mo. have each signed National Letters of Intent to play baseball at Xavier beginning with the 2005 season.

Lucas, a 6'3" right handed pitcher, had a 7-1 record last season on the mound for Trinity High School. He also batted .538 en route to earning WPIAL First Team All-Conference honors.

Salzenstein, a 5'9" middle infielder, was named All-Area and All-Conference last season after batting .405 with 15 stolen bases for Barrington High School. During his sophomore season, he went five for five with the game-tying triple in a Conference Championship Game victory.

Runners attain academic success

Cross country runners Jennie Illig, a senior, and Chris Tieke, a junior, were named to the Atlantic 10 Cross Country Academic All-Conference Teams last Tuesday.

Illig was also named to the A-10 All-Academic Team last season. She has been the top runner for the Musketeers in six of seven races this season, including a first-place finish at the Cardinal Invitational. At the Atlantic 10 Championships, Illig posted a time of 19:27.5.

Tieke had a career-best time of 26:25 at the National Catholic Championships this year to finish 42nd in field of 256 runners. Tieke finished 40th at the Atlantic 10 Championships in a time of 27:04.0.

Diligence both on and off the court

Sophomore outside hitter Kate Duchek was named to the CoSIDA Academic All-District IV Women's Volleyball First Team on Thursday.

The district team is made up of student-athletes from Division I schools in Alabama, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio and Tennessee. To be nominated, student athletes must be a starter or significant reserve and carry a cumulative grade point average of 3.20 or higher.

Freshman lauded for play on pitch

Freshman Toni Skudrzik led the men's soccer team in scoring this season and was named last Wednesday to the Atlantic 10 Conference All-Rookie Team for his efforts.

This marks the third consecutive year that Xavier has placed a player on the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie Team.

Men's hoops takes home BCA Classic championship

BY DAVE GILMORE
AND CASEY WELDON

Newswire sports

MEN'S BASKETBALL

After playing three games in three days, the men's basketball team has overcome its first test of the young season: the Dell BCA Classic.

The Musketeers survived a scare to down the Oakland Grizzlies 76-66 on Monday night. Senior Lionel Chalmers, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, led the way in the third and final game with 20 points and seven rebounds.

The Musketeers had a hard time finishing easy baskets early on, leading to a tie at halftime, 35-35, and shooting only 28 percent in the first half.

Senior Romain Sato, who was named to the All-Tournament team, struggled in the championship contest, shooting 1-12 from the field. Sato did, however, manage to get to the free throw line with frequency, shooting 9-10 from the stripe.

Senior Anthony Myles anchored the rebounding effort for Xavier, pulling 13 boards, seven of them on the offensive end.

Freshman Justin Doellman and Junior Keith Jackson provided sparks off the bench late in the first and in the second half to help the Muskies fend off the run-and-gun Grizzlies.

Doellman scored 13 points in 16 minutes, while Jackson tallied seven points in 17 minutes, throwing down a nasty alley-oop in the second half.

On Sunday, the Muskies grinded out a win in the semifinals against the Mercer Bears, 72-58.

Saturday night, Xavier opened up the tournament with a 62-37 lockdown of Coppin State. Sato had an effective night from beyond the arc, hitting five of his eight long-range attempts. The five good attempts put Sato at the top of XU's

all-time three point leaders. Sato finished with 24 points. Chalmers and sophomore Dedrick Finn each added three three-pointers to the effort.

The Musketeers are back in action on Tuesday night at Ball State.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Sophomore Tara Boothe, a Pre-season Atlantic 10 First Team selection, led Xavier with 25 points as the Musketeer women's basketball team beat the Reebok Lady Stars, 72-60, in an exhibition game on Wednesday night at the Cintas Center.

In addition to her scoring, Boothe grabbed six rebounds, had four steals, four assists and blocked one shot.

Junior Alexis Henderson added 12 points while grabbing a team-high eight rebounds.

Sophomore Mandy Geryak led Xavier with nine assists in the game.

As a team, Xavier shot 55 percent from the field for the game. Included in that effort was an 8-for-18 performance from three-point range.

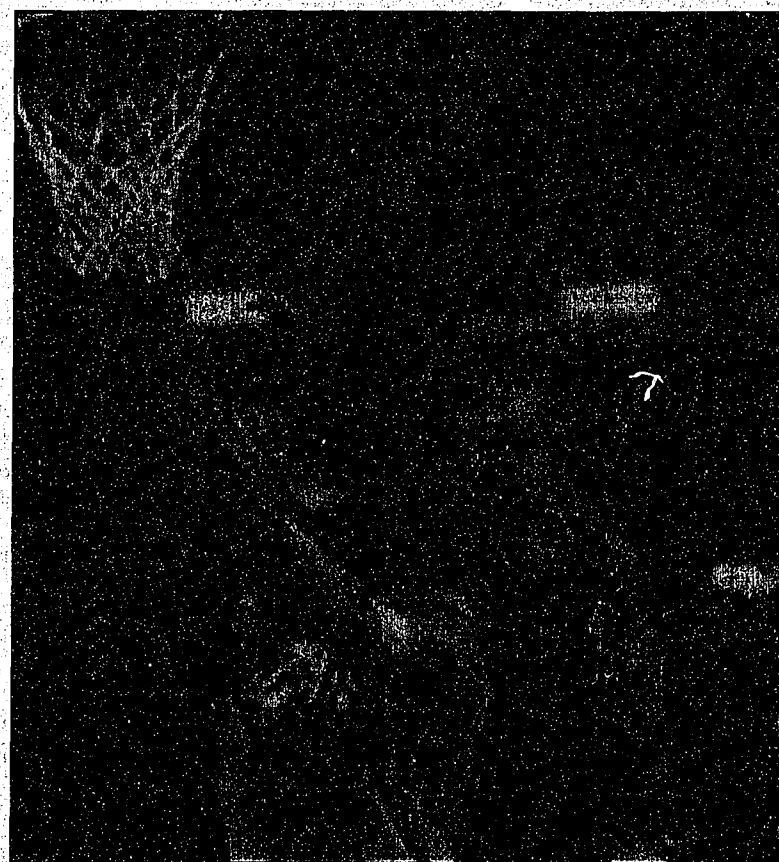
Xavier will open the regular season on the road at Louisville on Friday, Nov. 21. The Musketeers will return home to the Cintas Center on Sunday, Nov. 23 for a 2 p.m. game against IUPUI.

VOLLEYBALL

Picking up two decisive Atlantic 10 victories this past weekend, the volleyball team clinched its sixth straight trip to the A-10 Championships. The Musketeers are 14-14 overall this season, going 8-6 in A-10 play.

Saturday night, on the campus of the University of Dayton, the streaking Muskies rolled over the helpless 10-22 Fordham Rams en route to their sixth consecutive win and their 14th overall.

Sophomore Kate Duchek finished with a game-high 15 kills,



NEWSWIRE PHOTO BY BRIAN ANGOLIA

Freshman Justin Doellman came off the bench to score 13 points in 16 minutes in the championship game of the BCA Classic.

while freshman Erica Kaczorowski added 12 of her own.

The Musketeers will look for their seventh consecutive victory as they head to Philadelphia's Temple University for the Atlantic 10 Championships this upcoming weekend. The XU volleyball action will begin Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

RIFLE

It was Great America Rifle Conference Day at the Walsh Match as Xavier prevailed over the other three GARC schools by shooting a 6,216, a score that moves Xavier into first place in the Walsh.

Army shot a 6,123 on Saturday, Mississippi tallied a 6,030 and Memphis finished with a 5,953.

Coming into the weekend, Murray State held the lead in the Walsh with a 6,192.

Xavier's combined score of

6,216 is the highest for the Musketeers since shooting a 6,230 in the 2002 GARC Championship.

The action in the Walsh match will continue next weekend. The Walsh is the largest indoor rifle match in the nation.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Xavier University cross country teams concluded their 2003 season at the NCAA Great Lakes Regional in Terre Haute, Ind. with the men's team placing 27th out of a field of 32 teams with a score of 760 points. On the women's side, Xavier placed 25th out of a field of 30 schools with a score of 738 points.

The men's team concluded their season with a 71-57 record and a 7-13 record in the A-10.

The Xavier women's team finished their season with an overall record of 70-64 and a 4-16 record in A-10 competition.

Parts compiled from XU Sports Info.

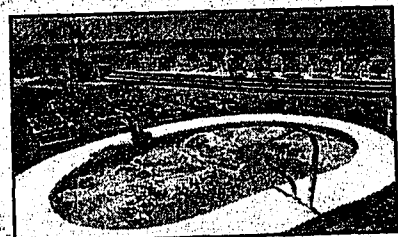
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GAME OF THE WEEK

Volleyball vs
Temple

Friday 4:30 p.m.
A-10 Tournament

The volleyball team has made it to the A-10 Tournament for the sixth straight time.

While the season was difficult, the Musketeers showed their resilience and earned the lowest birth in the tournament, facing conference powerhouse Temple.

BRIEFS

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Exhibits at Dayton Art Institute

The Dayton Art Institute is offering three special exhibitions for the price of one.

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'Metamorphoses' at Playhouse

Playhouse in the Park presents the regional premiere of "Metamorphoses," Mary Zimmerman's Tony Award-winning adaptation of the ancient Greek myths of Ovid.

"Metamorphoses," performed in a shimmering pool of water that spans the stage, brings contemporary sensibilities to such myths as Orpheus and Eurydice and Midas.

For ticket information, visit www.cincyplay.com or call 421-3888.

"Metamorphoses" continues through Nov. 21 at Playhouse in the Park.

'M & C': Master of details

RUSSELL CROWE STARS IN THE NEW DRAMA WITH A BOATLOAD OF HEARTY DETAIL

BY DAN COX
 Editor-in-Chief

Regardless of what the previews for "Master and Commander: Far Side of the World" may lead you to believe this is not a movie about naval ships at war. Instead, it's a film about the life of a British Naval Ship under the command of Captain Jack Aubrey.

Aubrey, played by Russell Crowe ("Gladiator"), is a seasoned captain who knows how to command his ship. He has earned his nickname "Lucky Jack" by doing impossible feats as a captain, and his crew is as loyal to him as could be imagined.

Aubrey's friend and confidant is the ship's surgeon Dr. Stephen Maturin, played by Paul Bettany ("Beautiful Mind"). Maturin and Aubrey are long-time friends, which creates an interesting conflict because as ship's captain, Aubrey is not used to having his judgments questioned. Maturin does just that on several occasions, as he bursts into Aubrey's cabin to argue over a decision.

The story for the movie is based off Patrick O'Brian's novels, which have a strong following because of their historical accuracy. The film follows the books' lead, as everything down to the types of ropes used on the ship have an authentic touch to them.

The plot finds Aubrey with orders to track one of Napoleon's war ships along the coast of South America, and either destroy it or capture it. This ship is twice the size and power of Aubrey's and shares similarities with a ghost ship in the way it appears out of the mist to bring hellfire upon the British crew.

While hunting and chasing the French ship, the film pushes the story at several key points. However, the rest of the movie shows what life was like on a ship in 1808.

It's easy to forget in today's world of zoos and the Internet that in this time, people were discovering new animals every time they sailed near South America. Maturin is a naturalist whose ideal day would be spent studying penguins and new types of lizards.

One of the heated arguments he and Aubrey get into is whether or not there is enough time in their chase of the French ship to stop and collect samples of different animals. Maturin loses the argument, but his excitement and wonderment of these new types of creatures shine through brightly in the film.

The other, and dominant, part of the film comes from seeing how 19th-century ships operate.

Take for instance sailors' superstitions. In books they seem silly, but in the movie, the sailors and Aubrey believe in them wholeheartedly.



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Russell Crowe lets it all hang out as Captain "Lucky Jack" Aubrey in Peter Weir's "Master and Commander: Far Side of the World."

The ghost ship appears on one of the officer's watches, and the men of the ship begin whispering about the officer being cursed. The officer eventually believes it, as well, and takes his own life.

The medical applications on the ship are one of the most startling aspects of the movie. During one engagement, a sailor gets a hole punched into his head from a falling masthead.

Maturin then fits a coin that is sewn into his skull to cover the hole, and a few days later he's back working his normal shift, although slightly slower and quoting random bible verses.

Another queasy moment is when one of the ship's boys breaks his arm, and instead of putting it in a sling, Maturin saws it off.

It's this attention to detail that will probably turn a lot of people away from "Masters and Com-

manders" as there are some slow points to the movie. Not everyone will want to sit through a 20-minute scene where we see how the sailors handle a rough storm, or sit through several officer meals where they get drunk and tell sailing stories.

Another complaint viewers might have is the testosterone fest on the ship. The only women in the movie are island girls who come to wave to the sailors as they sail away.

However, this methodical attention to detail has made O'Brian's books a success and also makes this movie interesting to watch.

This is an intelligent movie with some action scenes in it, not an action movie that tries to be smart in between explosions.

Because of this, "Master and Commander: Far Side of the World" isn't suitable for a brainless viewing, but details are the master of this movie, and they do a wonderful job.

The Info

"Master and Commander: Far Side of the World"

Newsline Official Grade: A

Starring: Russell Crowe,

Paul Bettany, James D'Arcy, Ed

Ward, Woodhull, Chris Rankin

Rating: Rated PG-13 for some

intense battle sequences, related

images, and brief language

STEREOPHONICS YOU GOTTA GO THERE TO COME BACK



Stereophonics

You Gotta Go There to Come Back
 (V2/Bmg)

GRADE: A-

A musically eclectic reminder

Writing songs on and off the road, Stereophonics lead man Kelly Jones comes up with a raw, and at times, heart-wrenching album that proves to be somehow behind and ahead of its time.

You Gotta Go There to Come Back is a piece of not-so-distant nostalgia that tells tales of break-ups and growing up in an attempt to become conscious of the past, in order to eventually move on.

The album speaks of how difficult life and love can be, but is written on layers of wisdom that can only become clear through years of experience.

On songs such as "Rainbows and Pots of Gold," "I'm Alright (You Gotta Go There To Come Back)," and "Maybe Tomorrow," Jones

In Your Ear

shows how easy it would be if he allowed such apparent emotional burdens to control the underlying message of his ballads.

Instead, he writes as if these experiences are just trivial facts of life, those in which everyone must go through.

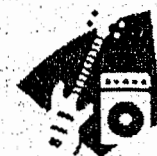
Throughout *You Gotta Go There to Come Back*, Jones is most impressive in his ability to juxtapose recurring themes throughout intersecting styles of music that encompass the album.

The rocking "Help Me (She's Out of Her Mind)" and "Madame Helga," mixed in with the bluesy "I Miss You Now" and the upbeat "Getaway" give the prevailing ballads a time to sink in and create a more powerful effect.

In a musical age where methodical loops tend to hook listeners and casually reel them in, the eclectic style of *You Gotta Go There to Come Back* reminds listeners that not so long ago, albums were held high by monumental tracks with a definitive, underlying sound.

The sound that Jones remarkably instills is a page torn out of his life and put to music. It unmistakably remains as raw and as powerful as those feelings that once put it there.

- Patrick Gill
 Contributing Writer



DIVERSIONS MOVIE TRIVIA

What was Daniel's halloween costume in the original "Karate Kid?"



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WEDNESDAY

November 19

Welcome to the back page of the Newswire. For those of you who are new to this territory, I would just like to state that just like Outkast's Dre 3000, I do not want to meet either your daddy or your momma, I just want you in my Caddy and to make you comma. I mean, comma rhymes with momma, so that's of course what he says, right? So like Dre, I would like you all to use more pauses in your speech and writing, as well as for you to hop into my fatty Escalade. Oh, and do not forget to shake it like a Polaroid picture. You can't get into the Escalade unless you shake it in this particular way. Hey ya.

What's cooler than being cool? Ice cold, of course! And what's cooler than ice cold? I'm not quite sure about that, but I can ensure you it is not South Korea, where the coldest winter temperatures are a balmy 56.7 degrees Fahrenheit. If you're curious to find out more about South Korea's temperate climate, or maybe just eat their food, then come to the International Coffee Hour today at 3:30 p.m. in the Faces of the World Lounge. Tensions will be high, however, as North Korea has threatened to show up with a microwave and nuke all of the South Korean food.

If Kim Chong-il and his hot blue-blocker sunglasses manage to crash the party and ruin all the Seoul food, you can head to Kelley

Calendar City

By John Houser. To place an item in the calendar, mail to newswire-calendar@xavier.edu or ML 2129.

Auditorium from 6 to 7 p.m. for some free pizza. The only catch is you have to pretend that you're interested in being a part of the International Business Society. And while you're there, do your part and make sure that they're not making any deals to sell more microwaves to North Korea.

Today is Have a Bad Day Day. What kind of stupid G-darn holiday is this? Who plans out a particular day to have a bad day? This just ticks me off. Now my whole day is ruined. Dammit!

THURSDAY

November 20

Today is the Great American Smokeout. People who enjoy irony as well as blunts will celebrate by smoking out their cars, rooms and other enclosed spaces. For the rest of us, the Wellness Team will be passing out "quit bags," which contain such medically approved methods for quitting smoking such as sick pictures of lungs covered in tar, self-flagulating devices, and a tape recording from your mother telling you how disappointed she was when she found that pack of Newport in your jeans pocket.

Are you over age 55 and love kamikaze shots? If so, come to Dana Gardens at 10 p.m. for Senior



Alright alright alright alright
alright alright alright...

Night. Shuttles will be set up for all AARP members for trips to The Mound afterwards for shuffleboard.

FRIDAY

November 21

Today through Sunday are the National Donor Sabbath Days. Blood tests will be performed at various points around campus to see if you are eligible to donate one of your Sabbaths to overworked peoples in need of an extra day of rest.

Obie Trice will be playing at Bogart's at 8:30. If you've already gone to see him twice, you should go again to make it thrice.

If you are looking to get your proverbial "schwerve" on, the place to do it is at the X-Box, aka Cintas Cen-

ter, from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. tonight for the Homecoming Dance. If you are looking to get your proverbial "drink" on, then your \$10 admission price will allow all of those of age to sit in the beer garden and buy overpriced drinks.

SATURDAY

November 22

Do you hate all the current members of Don't Tell Anna and lay in bed at night longing for the good ol' days? Well if so, you're almost in luck! Don't Tell Anna will be having an alumni Homecoming Show featuring both current and former members of the improv comedy troupe in Kelley at 7 p.m. Is a \$2 admission price too much to ask to see history in the making?

Well if it is too much, then sure as Hades don't go to the Euchre Tournament on the 1st floor of the Commons at 8 p.m. They charge you a whopping \$5 for this one. Rather, you can join everyone who isn't from Indiana or Ohio and is trying to figure out how this game is pronounced, let alone how it's popular.

SUNDAY

November 23

Too much Homecoming fun having you feel a little ill and sensitive

to sunlight? If so, take a relaxing trip to the Southern Hemisphere and enjoy the full solar eclipse. Or just stay in your room with the blinds closed, either one works.

If you stick around in the northern lands, make sure you exercise your fingers before the Jazz Ensemble at 8:15 p.m. in Long Recital Hall. You'll need to have those jazz hands ready.

MONDAY

November 24

Have you been doing your work all semester and don't feel like getting any credit for it at all? If so, head to the Registrar Office today for the last day to withdraw from classes.

Did you get your free pizza on Wednesday by pretending to care about the International Business Society and are now on the prowl for more? If so, pretend you care about life by going to the Relay for Life Rally from 2 to 3 p.m. on the lawn in front of the GSC.

TUESDAY

November 25

Do you like incest? Sure, we all do! Celebrate interfamily lovin' by going to see the band consisting of ex-spouses who claim to be brother and sister, the White Stripes tonight at 8:30 at Bogart's.

Break begins today. So go home and give thanks. Sorry I won't be there, but I still have no desire to meet your daddy or your momma. Just to make you comma.

Classifieds

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